CRiTORA
Episode 203
"Shine Bright!"
First Draft

SCRIPT BEGIN:
EXT. CRiTOPiA PARK SKIES - DAY
Establishing shot. Some BALLOON LiFEFORMS are floating in the sky, some of which are glowing.

Cut to somewhere else in CRiTOPiA Park. MING-MING LIGHT, a hamster-like CRiTORA, is grabbing GOLDIE MIDAS, a golden balloon CRiTORA, by the string. The two are walking.

GOLDIE
(cheerful)
What should we do today, Ming-Ming?

MING-MING
(thinking)
Hm… since this is the Meetup District, let's go meet some new friends!

GOLDIE
(excited)
Yeah! Let's hope no ViRUSES ruin our golden day!

MING-MING
(scared, lets go of Goldie)
Eeeeek! ViRUSES! Don't say that, Goldie!

GOLDIE
(in the air)
I heard they've been invading CRiTOPiA, but I doubt we'll see them!

MING-MING
(relieved)
Phew! Good! Let's go find a new friend right now!

GOLDIE
Alrighty, here we go! (flies off)

MING-MING
(wheels pop out of her feet)
Wait for me! (zooms away)

Elsewhere, DESIGNLESS, a CRiTORA with no design aside from a shadow and three dots, as well as having a loud voice, is about to eat cupcakes, his favorite food.

DESIGNLESS
Cupcakes! My favorite food!

Unfortunately for Designless, he is not noticed by STUART ARTIDAE, an abstract duck CRiTORA with a bizarre appearance. Stuart proceeds to eat Designless' cupcakes.

STUART
(excited)
Yum! Cupcakes!

DESIGNLESS
(angry)
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING!? I'M HERE, YOU KNOW!?

STUART
(noticing Designless)
Oh! (bounces away from Designless erratically, then flies off) Bye!

DESIGNLESS
(annoyed)
I wish OS gave me a **PROPER** design like everyone else!

Beat.

Cut to Ming-Ming and Goldie are racing.

GOLDIE
(cheerful)
Weee!!

MING-MING
(cheerful)
Here I come, Goldie!

The two CRiTORA stop when [NO NAME] unexpectedly teleports in front of them.

[NO NAME]
(happy)
Hi!

MING-MING
(excited)
Woah! A new friend! (shakes [no name]’s hand) Nice to meet you! I’m Ming-Ming Light!

GOLDIE
(cheerful)
And I’m Goldie Midas, Ming-Ming’s best friend! What’s your name?

[NO NAME}
(confused)
Um… My name is… (teleports away)

GOLDIE
What is their name, Ming-Ming?

MING-MING
I don’t know! I’ve never seen them before!

GOLDIE
Oh!

MING-MING
(excited)
We should go find them! They seem friendly!

GOLDIE
(excited)
Yeah!

Ming-Ming grabs onto Goldie’s string, and the two take it to the skies. In the sky, Ming-Ming takes out her telescope to look for [no name].

GOLDIE
Have you seen them yet?

Beat.

GOLDIE
Ming-Ming?

MING-MING
Not yet, Goldie! They could be anywhere here, maybe even in the other Districts!

GOLDIE
Oh! I'm still worried ViRUSES will be out there.

MING-MING
(scared, drops telescope)
Eek! No mentioning ViRUSES! Please!

Cut back to Designless, who has brought more cupcakes to eat.

DESIGNLESS
(excited)
Mmm! Good!

Ming-Ming's telescope drops down.

DESIGNLESS
(interested in the telescope)
Oh, a telescope! I wonder who this belongs to!

Designless "grabs" the telescope with one of his three dots, examining it. As he does so, Stuart proceeds to eat the cupcakes again.

DESIGNLESS
(angry)
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS EATING MY CUPCAKES!

STUART
I can't resist them!

Stuart bounces away as Designless chases him.

STUART
(scared)
NO!!

DESIGNLESS
(angry)
YOU!!

Cut back to Ming-Ming and Goldie. Ming-Ming is getting tired.

MING-MING
(tired)
I need to rest a little…

GOLDIE
(cheerful)
I know someone who we can rest AND ride on! (whistles)

CLOUD, a cloud CRiTORA, shows up. Ming-Ming lets go of Goldie and lands on Cloud.

CLOUD
(whistles cheerfully)

MING-MING
(cheerful)
Hi, Cloud!

GOLDIE
We're looking for a question mark CRiTORA we just met. Do you know where they are?

CLOUD
(smiling)
(whistles)

MING-MING
(excited)
You do? Thank you! Let's find them!

Cloud zooms away with Ming-Ming and Goldie on them.

Cut to [no name] hiding behind a bush. They notice Stuart being chased by an angry Designless.

[NO NAME]
(disturbed)
What the?!

STUART
Sorry!

DESIGNLESS
YOU ATE MY CUPCAKES!!

[no name] hides again.

[NO NAME]
That was crazy.

The camera zooms out, revealing a V-D ViRUS.

V-D
(acting crazy)
D! D! (laughs crazily and is about to try to infect [no name])

[NO NAME]
(scared)
(screams as they teleport away)

V-D ViRUS runs off, laughing like a madman.

V-D
(acting crazy)
(laughing crazily)

Cut to Stuart being confronted by Designless.

STUART
(scared)
I'll bake you more cupcakes!

DESIGNLESS
(angry)
I HEARD YOU'RE NOT A GOOD COOK!

STUART
(scared, takes out paint brush)
But I can paint food to life!

V-D (O.S.)
D!!

Beat.

DESIGNLESS
(runs away, scared)
OH NO, A ViRUS IS HERE!!

Stuart is about to bounce away, but the V-D ViRUS strikes him. Stuart slowly transforms into V-STUART, with an inverted color palette.

STUART
(as V-STUART, angry)
(screaming in anger)

V-Stuart flies away.

Elsewhere, Ming-Ming, Goldie, and Cloud are still in the skies, looking for [no name]. Glitching sounds are heard coming from V-Stuart.

CLOUD
(stops, shocked)
(whistles)

GOLDIE
(scared)
Uh oh.

MING-MING
(scared)
Please don't tell me one of those things are around! I won't even mention the name of those things!

GOLDIE
(nervous)
I think a "thing" is here, now.

STUART
(as V-STUART, angry)
(angry screaming)

MING-MING
(hugging onto Goldie, scared)
(screaming)

GOLDIE
(hugging onto Ming-Ming)
(screaming)

Cloud zooms away with Ming-Ming and Goldie. V-Stuart goes after them, flying erratically.

A chase between the three CRiTORA and V-Stuart occurs. Various CRiTORA are watching, scared. Cut to ERNIEJOE FRECKLER and BABS GLAMORISH, and some other CRiTORA.

ERNIEJOE
(watching the chaos, scared)
Oh no! Not one of those V-CRiTORA again!

BABS
(annoyed)
Have you been, like, infected before?

ERNIEJOE
(scared)
Yes, but it wasn't pretty at all!

The chase continues. [no name] watches the chaos until the same V-D ViRUS shows up.

V-D
(angry)
D!

[no name] blasts the ViRUS with their rocket cannon, deleting it.

[NO NAME]
(confused)
Hm? How'd I do that?

Beat.

[NO NAME]
(smirking)
Hm… I got an idea…

V-Stuart is still chasing the trio of CRiTORA.

MING-MING
(scared, to Goldie)
I hope I never get into a chase like this ever again!

GOLDIE
(scared, to Ming-Ming)
Ditto here!

CLOUD
(noticing an unfamiliar presence)
(whistles)

[no name] teleports and blasts V-Stuart with their rocket cannon. Stuart is disinfected, back to his regular self.

STUART
(confused)
Hu-huh? What happened?

MING-MING
(nervously)
You got infected.

[NO NAME]
(a little confident, but a little confused. flying towards Ming-Ming and Goldie)
And I saved you all, I think?

GOLDIE
(excited)
Yay!

Ming-Ming and Goldie hug [no name].

MING-MING
So, friend? Wanna do a puzzle together? I love puzzles!

[NO NAME]
(confused)
Sure? Um, why not?

GOLDIE
Yay!

Cloud zooms away with Ming-Ming, Goldie, and [no name]. Stuart is still flying.

STUART
Guess, I'll paint up some cupcakes for Designless! (flies away)

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